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SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events - National

Secret Service Testing Drones, How to Disrupt Their Flying

(AP) Mysterious, middle-of-the-night drone flights by the U.S. Secret Service during the next several weeks over parts of Washington — usually off-limits as a strict no-fly zone — are part of secret government testing intended to find ways to interfere with rogue drones or knock them out of the sky, The Associated Press has learned. A U.S. official briefed on the plans said the Secret Service was testing drones for law enforcement or protection efforts and to look for ways, such as signal jamming, to thwart threats from civilian drones. The drones were being flown between 1 a.m. and 4 a.m. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because this person was not authorized to publicly discuss the plans. The Secret Service has said details were classified. The Secret Service has said only that it will openly test drones over Washington, but it declined to provide details such as when it will fly, how many drones, over what parts of the city, for how long and for what purposes.

Texas Federal Judge Leaves Block on Obama Immigration Plan in Place

(Reuters) A federal judge in Texas on Monday declined to lift a block of the White House's immigration plan for at least 10 more days, court records show. U.S. District Judge Andrew Hanen in Brownsville, a city along the border with Mexico, issued a preliminary injunction last month halting President Barack Obama's plans that would have shielded millions of illegal immigrants from deportation. On Monday, Hanen said in a one-page order that the court will not rule on any pending motions at least until a court hearing set for March 19, where government attorneys will have to explain a filing that said some 100,000 people had been given three-year periods of deferred action prior to the judge's injunction. Hanen, who has previously criticized U.S. immigration enforcement as too lax, based his Feb. 17 ruling on an administrative law question, faulting Obama's administration for not giving public notice of his plans.

Seven Venezuelan Officials Targeted by US

(BBC News) The US has targeted at least seven Venezuelan officials with sanctions for alleged human rights violations. Those named, including the head of police, will have assets frozen and be blocked from doing business with American firms or travelling to the US. Venezuela's President Nicolas Maduro later appeared on TV with the seven, hailing them as "heroes." He appointed one of them, national intelligence chief Gustavo Gonzalez, interior minister. President Maduro went on to say that he would ask parliament for special powers by means of a special enabling law to allow him to "preserve peace." Tensions between the US and Venezuela have continued to rise. Last week, Venezuela gave the US two weeks to significantly cut its diplomatic mission in the country. In the latest episode on Monday, the White House called on Venezuela to release all political prisoners, including "dozens of students" and warned against blaming Washington for its problems.



SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events - International

French Sports Stars Among 10 Dead in Argentina Air Crash

(AP) Two helicopters carrying passengers filming a popular European reality show crashed Monday in a remote area of northwest Argentina, killing eight French citizens and two Argentines, authorities said. The helicopters crashed while flying near Villa Castelli in La Rioja province, about 730 miles (1,170 kilometers) northwest of Buenos Aires, La Rioja Secretary of Security Cesar Angulo told television station TN. All 10 people on board both aircraft were killed. A statement from La Rioja's government said that among the 10 dead were French sports stars, including Olympic gold medal swimmer Camille Muffat, Olympic boxer Alexis Vastine and champion sailor Florence Arthaud. The French sports figures were part of a team filming the reality show "Dropped," a survivalist program with several versions across Europe, said the mayor of Villa Castelli, Andres Navarrete.

ISIS Militants Believed to be Holding 9 Foreign Oil Workers in Libya

(CNN) Nine foreign workers are believed to be in the hands of ISIS-affiliated militants after an attack on a Libyan oil field, according to officials. Libya's internationally recognized government has blamed "ISIS militias" for the attack Friday in which the Al-Ghani oil field was set on fire. The kidnapped foreigners were working for VAOS, an Austrian-owned oil services company whose headquarters are in Tripoli, the Libyan capital. They include four Filipinos, an Austrian, a Czech and a Ghanaian, according to the Philippine foreign ministry. The Bangladeshi government said one of its citizens was also taken hostage. The nationality of the ninth worker was unclear. The abductions come amid Libya's deteriorating security situation in which Islamic militias, some of them pledging allegiance to the extremist group ISIS, have thrived.

Myanmar Police Charge at Student Protesters with Batons

(AP) Hundreds of riot police charged at students protesting Myanmar's new education law on Tuesday, pummeling them with batons and then dragging them into trucks, bringing a quick, harsh end to a weeklong standoff. Police threw stones and jumped over fences as they broke up the demonstration. Some students and monks were chased into a Buddhist monastery, said Honey Oo, a student leader. Deputy police chief Col. Win Sein said 114 people were detained and several students and police had been injured, but none seriously. Myanmar only recently began moving from a half-century of brutal military rule toward democracy. But the nominally civilian government installed four years ago has been grappling with the consequences of newfound freedoms of expression. It has been especially sensitive about public protests, arresting hundreds of people since taking office for peacefully expressing their views.



SITUATION SUMMARY

Weather of Concern

• No significant Weather Watches or Warnings are in effect.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Dry weather and above normal interior temperatures will continue today, but an advancing frontal system will bring chances for light to moderate rain late tonight through late tomorrow. Dry weather will return early Thursday and last through the end of the week.

Medford Weather:

High clouds streaming over the area today are likely to limit warming but temperatures will still be above normal. Clouds will thicken this evening and overnight to bring some measurable precipitation in showers, mostly across higher terrains. Snow levels will be generally near 7500 feet until Wednesday, when they will dip to 6000 feet to 7000 feet in showers as cooler air moves in aloft. Storm total precipitation through Wednesday night is expected to be 0.25" to 0.50" in southerly flow favored areas and in the mountains, and 0.10" to 0.20" for most inland valleys.

Reno Weather:

High pressure over the West will bring warm and dry conditions through today. Low pressure will move over Northern California and Nevada late tonight through Wednesday night bringing light rain and higher elevation snow. Dry and warm conditions will return by the end of the week.

San Francisco Weather:

Low clouds and patchy fog can be expected this morning for communities along the bays plus inland bay valleys. Showers will be a possibility late tonight through Wednesday evening as a cold front moves through the area. Rainfall amounts will generally be less than quarter of an inch.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

Increasing clouds today as a Pacific storm approaches. The storm moves through the forecast area tonight through late Wednesday bringing some light precipitation and cooler temperatures. Drier and warmer weather returns Thursday and Friday.

Hanford Weather:

High pressure will continue to reside over the West Coast today resulting in further warming and dry weather. A weak storm will impact the region on Wednesday bringing a slight chance of rain to the Central Valley and a better chance of precipitation to the mountains.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

Stratus and fog will impact the coastal areas this morning. This afternoon through Wednesday, partly to mostly cloudy skies will prevail with the chance of some light rain on Wednesday, mainly north of Point Conception. For Thursday through the weekend, high pressure aloft and offshore flow will dominate leading to record or near-record temperatures this weekend.

Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

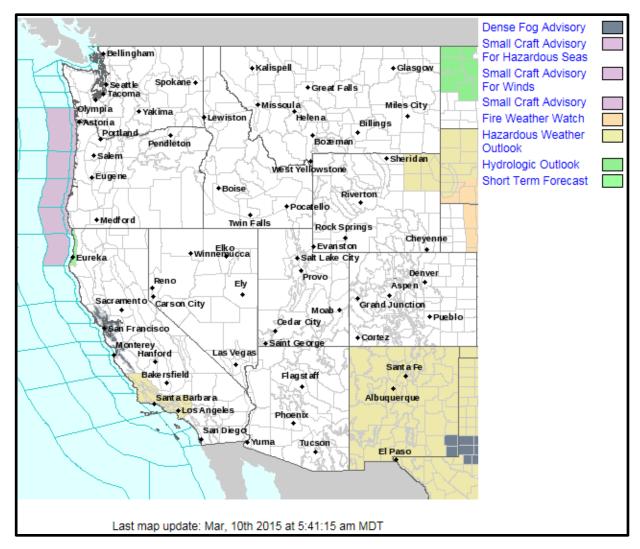
Areas of night and morning coastal low clouds and fog will continue through Thursday morning. Weak offshore flow will bring slight inland warming today. For Wednesday, a low pressure system moving by to the north will bring cooling and more clouds. A return of high pressure aloft and weak offshore flow will bring a warming trend for Thursday into next weekend along with locally gusty northeast winds near the coastal foothills. High temperatures will be well above average for Friday through the weekend.

Southeast California Weather:

Well above normal temperatures continue through Wednesday as desert highs run in the mid to upper 80s. This will be followed by some minor cooling Thursday into Friday as a weather disturbance moves through. Temperatures rebound over the weekend with lower elevations seeing highs in the upper 80s to low 90s.



STATE WEATHER MAP



FIRE ACTIVITY

Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

NWS California River Forecast Center:

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Round Fire, Inyo and Mono Counties

- On 03/03/15, Recovery Individual Assistance (IA) staff conducted a joint County, Cal OES IA, and U.S. Small Business
 Administration Preliminary Damage Assessment. The damage assessment revealed at least 25 homes and/or businesses
 have uninsured losses of at least 40 percent of their value. Cal OES submitted a letter on behalf of Mono County to SBA
 requesting approval of a disaster declaration.
- The American Red Cross and Salvation Army continue to offer their support services.
- Recovery Debris Management Coordinator deployed to Mono County for debris management group meeting and site walk-through.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a monthly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Cal OES Regional (Inland, Costal, Southern) conference calls continue to occur once a month.
- Cal OES Region/Recovery Call frequencies will change on and as needed basis.

CAL OES MISSIONS

Cal OES Missions - Ongoing

• 2015-LAW-8802, 3/6/15 @ 1330 hours (reopened) - Yolo County SO has requested Underwater Remote Operated Vehicle and/or Dive team resources to assist in locating potential evidence in the homicide investigation of a 27 day old infant. LDO is coordinating with several agencies to assist with securing these resources in order to search a specific location of a slough on either Monday or Tuesday of this coming week. Update: 3/9/15: LDO secured Sacramento DART for dive operations on 3/9/15. Mission Ongoing



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.